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TOWN OFFICERS-1877-1878.

*Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor and
Board of Health.*

* SAMUEL E. POND,
TYLER THAYER, GEO. H. MORSE.
* Deceased Sept. 13th.

Town Clerk:
FRANCIS TINKER.

Treasurer:
L. WALDO BIGELOW.

Collector:
GEORGE H. METCALF.

School Committee:
FRANCIS M. CRAGIN, Chairman, Term expires Mar. 1878.
REV. JOSEPH P. BIXBY, “ “ 1879.
C. WILLIS MORSE, “ “ 1880.

Engineers of Fire Department:
GEORGE H. MORSE, Chief, E. E. SHUMWAY,
WILLIAM J. WALLACE, Clerk.

Auditors:
GEORGE EVERETT, WILLIAM FISHER,
WILLARD GAY.

Constables:
SAMUEL HOWARD, SUMNER BAGLEY,
MARCUS M. ALDEN, * GEO. E. DRAPER.
* Deceased July 16th.

Surveyors of Highways:

JOSEPH W. ROBY,	NATHAN A. JOHNSON,
WILLIAM C. FISHER,	GEO. H. MORSE,
ALBERT L. DEAN,	SYLVESTER HAWES;
LEWIS D. ELLIS.	

Trustees of Public Library:

REV. EDWIN BROMLEY,	HERBERT F. MORSE,
REV. J. P. BIXBY,	FRANCIS TINKER,
REV. THERON BROWN.	

Fence Viewers:

E. N. FALES,	JOHN NUGENT.
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Surveyors of Lumber:

F. A. FALES,	GEO. H. MORSE,
ALBERT G. WEBB.	

Measurers of Wood and Bark:

JOSEPH W. ROBY,	ALBERT G. WEBB.
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Weighers of Coal and Hay:

F. D. DRAPER,	GEO. E. METCALF,
EUGENE F. HARTSHORN,	GEORGE H. MORRILL.

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

GEORGE KINGSBURY.

Field Drivers:

F. D. COLBURN,	GEO. R. COTTLE,
R. D. HARTSHORN,	JOHN KERRISEY,
MILTON H. HOWARD.	

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1877,

Which were raised by Tax.

Support of Schools,	\$6,500 00
" Public Library,	300 00
Repair of Highways, Culverts and Bridges.	3,000 00
Removing Snow,	500 00
Fire Department,	1,400 00
Lighting Streets,	125 00
Support of Poor,	2,200 00
Care of Cemetery,	50 00
Salaries of Town Officers,	1,400 00
Printing and Stationery,	160 00
Incidental and Miscellaneous Expenses and Rents.	600 00
Widening Walpole Street,	700 00
" Wilson "	800 00
" Washington Street,	260 00
" Dean "	500 00
" Phillips "	75 00
Purchasing Hose,	550 00
Painting Engine Houses,	175 00
State Tax,	1,410 00
County Tax,	1,447 55
Overlayings,	374 02
	\$22,526 57

1410
1447.55
2857.55

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen of the Town of Norwood, as required by the By-Laws of the Town, herewith present an account of monies for which orders have been drawn on the Town Treasurer, during the year ending January 31, 1878 ; together with the accounts of the Treasurer and Collectors, with the reports of the Auditors thereon. Also the Vital Statistics of the Town for the year 1877.

SCHOOLS.

EVERETT SCHOOL.

PAID

Horace T. Atwood, for teaching 40 weeks from	
Jan. 26, '77 to Jan. 25, '78,	\$1,300 00
Marion Endicott, for teaching 40 weeks to Jan. 25,	475 00
Sarah P. Hamilton, " 7 " to Mar. 16, '77,	105 00
Emma F. Wheelock; " 33 " to Jan. 25, '78,	412 50
S. L. Rhodes, " 40 " "	450 00
Maria L. Wheelock, " 40 " "	450 00
Carrie M. Morse, " 40 " "	420 00
A. Lizzie Park, " 40 " "	420 00
Salary for teachers three weeks in 1876,	308 61
E. Wheelock & Son, supplies of books,	29 22
Geo. Kingsbury, " "	4 30
W. W. Dexter, setting glass and painting,	11 32
H. T. Atwood, supplies and books,	6 65
M. E. Webb, furnishing and setting trees,	11 00
Jarvis Fairbanks, janitor to Mar. 16, '77,	171 12
Honora Leonard, cleaning house,	75 31
John Nugent, wood,	16 10
William H. Ivers, rent of piano,	20 00

J. L. Hammett, supplies,	15 33
C. W. Hartshorne, 89,600 lbs of coal,	235 20
French Brothers, repairing slate,	22 25
F. M. Cragin, supplies,	47 33
Ingalls & Kendrickken, extras to heating apparatus,	16 00
Willard Gay, insurance policy,	57 00
E. C. Stevens, repairing pump,	1 25
Village Hall Co., rent of hall four evenings for educational purposes,	12 00
E. Wheelock & Son, books,	8 06
A. G. Whitcomb, supplies,	13 20
Tyler Thayer, repairs,	31 34
	\$5,145 09

Total payments for teachers,	\$4,341 11
“ “ “ fuel,	251 30
“ “ “ repairs,	93 16
“ “ “ supplies,	124 09
“ “ “ care of house,	246 43
“ “ “ insurance,	57 00
“ “ “ rent of piano,	20 00
“ “ “ Village Hall,	12 00
	\$5,145 09

BALCH SCHOOL.

PAID.

Millie J. Blaisdell, teaching 8 weeks,	\$90 00
Fannie N. Perkins, “ 33 “ to Jan. 25 '78,	371 25
Viola Littlefield, “ 41 “ “	430 50
Geo. Force, in full as Janitor to Mar. 16 '77,	57 70
S. E. Pond, Wood,	7 00
John Nugent, “	5 32
C. W. Hartshorne, for 22,400 lbs coal,	58 80
Thomas Ford, sawing wood,	4 00
Norcross Regulation Co., for damper,	18 70
T. Currier, repairing pump,	2 00

E. C. Stevens, repairing pump,	1 70
C. W. Morse, " "	30
W. W. Dexter, repairs,	4 83
E. C. Stevens, stove pipe,	1 75
F. M. Cragin, repairs and supplies,	30 24
Mary Fitzgerald, cleaning house,	10 20
L. W. Bigelow, curtains and fixtures,	3 68
E. Wheelock & Son, books,	8 73
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	1 35
Willard Gay, insurance policy,	60 00
L. W. Bigelow, " "	16 00
E. Wheelock & Son, books,	1 71
A. G. Whitcomb, supplies,	2 30
Tyler Thayer, repairs,	12 37
	\$1,200 43

Total payments for teachers,	\$891 75
" " " fuel,	75 12
" " " repairs,	41 65
" " " supplies,	48 01
" " " care of house,	67 90
" " " insurance,	76 00
	\$1,200 43

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

PAID	
Abbie A. White, 20 weeks to June 29 '77,	\$210 00
" " 3 " salary in '76,	31 50
Lucy A. Guy, 20 " to Jan. 25,	210 00
E. F. Talbot, one years rent,	150 00
C. W. Hartshorne, 10,000 lbs coal,	26 25
Herbert A. Corbett, janitor to Mar. 31 '77,	20 00
E. Wheelock & Son, books,	3 25
F. M. Cragin, supplies,	2 50
C. Willis Morse, supplies,	1 05

W. W. Dexter, setting glass,	7 63
E. C. Stevens, stove pipe and labor,	2 20

\$664 38

Total payments for teachers,	\$451 50
“ “ “ rent,	150 00
“ “ “ fuel,	26 25
“ “ “ care of house,	20 00
“ “ “ supplies,	5 75
“ “ “ repairs,	10 88
	\$664 38

RECAPITULATION.

Total payments for teachers,	\$5,684 36
“ “ “ fuel,	352 67
“ “ “ repairs,	145 69
“ “ “ supplies,	177 85
“ “ “ care of houses,	334 33
“ “ “ rents,	162 00
“ “ “ “ of piano,	20 00
“ “ “ insurance,	133 00
	\$7,009 90

Appropriation,	\$6,500 00
Teachers salary 3 weeks in '76,	361 86
	\$6,861 86

ROADS.

SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS.

PAID

Joseph W. Roby, repairs of ways,	\$488 07
William C. Fisher, “ “	413 75
Nathan A. Johnson, “ “	396 09
Lewis D. Ellis, “ “	200 00
Geo. H. Morse, “ “	409 61

Albert Dean,	repairs of ways,	161 05
Sylvester Hawes,	“ “	180 04

\$2,248 61

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES FOR ROADS.

WASHINGTON STREET.

PAID

Mathew Clay, blasting stone near house of E. F. Talbot,	35 05
Joseph W. Roby, labor and gravel,	24 76
E. A. Morse, carting rocks,	5 70
J. W. Roby, sharpening drills,	3 43

\$68 94

PAID

J. W. Roby, repairing sidewalk near engine house No. 1,	\$40 50
“ iron drain pipe near engine house,	6 50
“ sharpening drills,	6 60

\$53 60

PAID

J. W. Roby, labor and gravel near high bridge	
and Joseph Page's,	\$197 73

PAID

H. N. Clark, lumber for railing near Winslow station,	6 60
Tyler Thayer, labor, spikes and irons,	5 99

\$12 59

PAID

Mathew Clay, rebuilding culvert near Joseph Page's,	\$30 50
E. A. Morse, drawing stone,	5 10
Geo. P. Morey, covering stone,	19 50
Nathan A. Johnson, drawing covering stone,	4 00
L. S. Rhodes, grading east side near house of J. Page,	42 34
Waldo Brothers, drain pipe used near house of A. Ellis,	5 40

\$106 84

RAILROAD AVENUE.

PAID

J. W. Roby, raising and draining,	\$56 00
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Geo. B. Talbot, drain pipe, labor and stone work,	39 80
	\$95 80

PROSPECT STREET.

PAID

J. W. Roby, repairing road from J. Fairbanks,	
to Winter Street,	\$46 23
Tyler Thayer, putting up railing near high bridge,	6 00
	\$52 23

NAHATAN STREET.

PAID

Pat. Leyden, building culvert,	\$20 00
Geo. P. Morey, covering stone,	9 37
N. A. Johnson, drawing covering stone,	3 00
J. W. Roby, making sidewalk from house of	
Josiah Tisdale to N. White's,	82 72
	\$115 09

CHAPEL STREET.

PAID

Matthew Clay, making culvert near G. O. Peterson's,	\$5 50
Albert L. Dean, covering stone,	4 50
William Fisher, repairing sidewalk,	2 00
	\$12 00

PAID

Matthew Clay, blasting rocks near house of W. Gillooly,	\$4 15
Thomas Ford, labor,	2 40
William Coughlin, labor,	2 40
Joseph Roby, sharpening drills,	1 20
	\$10 15

Appropriation,	\$3,000 00
Total payments for repairs,	2,973 58

REMOVING SNOW.

PAID

Sylvester Hawes, removing snow to Mar. 29 '77,	\$22 69
Geo. H. Morse, " " "	39 17

Nathan A. Johnson, removing snow to Mar. 29 ,77,	28	14
Albert L. Dean, “ “ “	17	18
J. W. Roby, “ “ “	50	95
Isaac Ellis, “ “ “	32	15
W. C. Fisher, “ “	31	20
Total payments,	\$221	48
Appropriations,	\$500	00

STREET WIDENING.

DEAN STREET.

PAID

Frederick Endicott, for survey plans and estimates,	\$19 00
Michael Burke, land damage,	20 00
John Burke, for building retaining wall	
and abutments to bridge,	92 40
Albert L. Dean, land damage,	46 00
Geo. H. Morse, for labor and money	
paid for drawing stone,	136 50
Sylvester Hawes, fifteen sleepers,	15 00
Albert L. Dean, stone for bridge,	40 00
“ “ building road,	350 00
Tyler Thayer, for lumber and labor building bridge,	26 81
	\$745 71
Appropriation,	\$500 00
“ unexpended of 1876,	61 16
	\$561 16

WASHINGTON STREET.

PAID

Matthew Clay, for building retaining wall		
near the house of Joseph Page,	\$50	75
L. S. Rhodes, filling and grading,	199	00
Matthew Clay, digging foundation for wall,	12	00
E. A. Morse, for furnishing and drawing stone,	47	60
Nathan A. Johnson, drawing stone,	4	25

Geo. B. Talbot, widening opposite Joseph Page's	100 00
Frederick Endicott, surveying,	2 50
	\$416 10
Appropriation	\$260 00

WALPOLE STREET.

PAID

Geo. E. Metcalf, filling and grading near the house of Albert Guild,	\$90 00
W. Reed & Sons, powder and fuse,	17 50
Dodge & Gilbert, cast steel for drills,	15 73
C. F. Whitney, express on powder and fuse,	2 80
Thomas Kerrissey, filling and grading near the house of Lewis Guild,	90 00
John Nugent, filling and grading opposite house of William Leary,	13 81
N. A. Johnson, sidewalk near F. M. Cragin's,	24 33
Mathew Clay, blasting,	133 82
S. E. Pond, filling and grading near his house,	121 50
“ for labor and cash paid,	206 25
Charles Mackenzie, making sidewalk,	24 00
John C. Pond, 26 days labor,	39 00
Thomas Ford, 33½ days labor on ledge,	50 25
William Coughlin, “ “	50 25
Dennis McCarty, 2 days labor with team,	6 00
John Ellis, carting drills to be sharpened,	20 50
Eugene Sullivan, making sidewalk,	22 24
N. A. Johnson, “ “	89 32
Geo. E. Metcalf, filling near bridge,	100 00
“ “ labor “ ledge,	251 00
“ “ carting stone for culvert, cutting pipe and carting gravel,	29 00
Mathew Clay, building culvert near the house of E. F. Winslow	19 25
Geo. P. Morey, for covering stone,	16 12
N. A. Johnson, carting sleepers to ledge,	1 00
J. W. Roby, sharpening drills,	39 71

J. W. Roby, irons for railings at Hawes' brook,	7 52
Henry N. Clark, lumber for railing,	10 18
Tyler Thayer, building railing,	8 82
John Ellis, 100 loads of gravel,	8 00
Albert L. Guild, damage to house in blasting rocks,	1 50
Thomas Ford, 6 days labor on ledge,	9 00
	\$1,518 40

Appropriation,	\$700 00
“ unexpended in '76.	396 98
	\$1,096 98

PHILLIPS STREET.

PAID

John Nugent, labor,	\$75 00
Appropriation,	\$75 00

WILSON STREET.

PAID

John Nugent, balance for making 54 rods of road,	\$225 00
Geo. E. Metcalf, “ 120 “ “	900 00
	\$1,125 00
Appropriation,	\$800 00
“ unexpended in '76,	384 00
	\$1,184 00

WASHINGTON STREET BELOW HIGH BRIDGE.

PAID

S. E. Pond, labor and materials at culvert,	\$231 33
Tyler Thayer, lumber and labor on railing,	34 00
John Nugent, carting lumber,	1 25
N. Y. & N. E. Railroad Co., for freight,	3 47
S. E. Pond, 12 days labor and money paid,	32 80
Matthew Clay, setting iron posts in culvert,	3 20
To be paid from corporation tax,	\$306 05

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

PAID

R. D. Hartshorn, rent of room one year	
to Dec. 1, '77,	\$75 00
Francis Tinker, care of library one year to Sept. 1 '77,	125 00
C. F. O. Tinker, book case,	17 00
Estes & Lauriat, for books,	104 18
“ “ 10 quires paper,	7 50
H. T. Johnson, binding 130 volumes,	30 14
Francis Tinker, for preparing supplement to	
library and covering books,	25 00
“ “ books,	9 84
Moses H. Sargent & Sons, books,	94 59
	\$488 25

Appropriation,	\$300 00
Dog Tax,	236 82
	\$536 82

ADVERTISING, PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

PAID

T. O. Metcalf & Co., printing 550 Town and	
school reports,	\$68 50
“ “ “ “ order book,	9 00
“ “ “ “ teachers' bills,	4 00
“ “ “ “ town meeting warrants,	7 00
“ “ “ “ 1,000 tax bills,	4 50
“ “ “ “ tax collectors' notices,	75
“ “ “ “ blanks,	3 75
“ “ “ “ posters and notices,	9 50
“ “ “ “ 1,500 tickets,	8 25
L. W. Bigelow, postage stamps and stationery,	44
Charles K. Darling, stationery, for selectmens' room,	5 05
Willard Gay postage stamps,	2 97
Charles K. Darling, tax book,	2 00

Maynard & Noyes, for ink,	40
For book for register of voters,	80
T. O. Metcalf & Co., printing on dog licenses,	3 00
	\$129 91

Appropriation, \$160 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON ENGINE, No. 1.

PAID

F. A. Fales, pay of men to May 1 1877,	\$673 50
James Boyd & Sons, 200 feet cotton hose,	200 00
“ “ washers,	1 00
“ “ spanners and belts,	5 00
J. W. Roby, repairs,	6 75
W. J. Wallace, supplies,	18 22
M. E. Webb, coal hod,	95
L. W. Bigelow, paper,	3 15
Geo. E. Metcalf, drawing engine three times,	6 40
William Gillooly & Son, masonry,	18 00
W. W. Dexter, painting house,	50 00
E. Wheelock & Son, supplies,	5 63
Tyler Thayer, repairs,	3 81
Hunneman & Co., 2 shut off gates,	28 00
C. A. Brooks, care of house, engine and	
washing house after repairs,	30 75
“ “ removing snow from reservoirs,	15 00
	\$1,066 16

AMERICA ENGINE, No. 2.

PAID

Winslow L. Morse, pay of men to May 1, 1877,	\$631 50
“ “ drawing engine to fires,	7 00
James Boyd & Son, 350 feet cotton hose,	350 00
“ “ 2 spanner belts,	2 50
Geo. H. Morse, cash paid for spanners,	1 00

W. J. Wallace, supplies,	7 50
“ “ pulleys,	50
Tyler Thayer, repairs,	37 73
Sumner Bagley, care engine and house,	24 85
Joseph Cheney, four straps,	3 50
Joseph Nickerson, ropes and block,	4 94
Bagley & Cuff, painting house,	50 00

\$1,121 02

Appropriation,	\$1,400 00
Paid from Corporation tax,	650 00
For hose,	550 00
For painting house,	175 00

\$2,775 00

Total payments for fire department, \$2,187 18

PAYMENTS FOR SUPPORT OF POOR.

JOEL TALBOT AND WIFE.

PAID

Geo. Talbot, for full support of Joel Talbot and wife
ending January 31, 1878, \$291 00

MRS. EMELINE M. POND.

PAID

Her for weekly allowance 26 weeks,	\$52 00
James McClane, wood in 1876,	8 85
A. J. Norris, groceries,	32 50
Amory Fisher, coal,	18 80
S. W. Whitney, 5 months rent,	40 00
H. Guild, sawing wood,	1 75
T. Currier, stove pipe,	1 75
C. F. Whitney, moving furniture,	8 00
E. Wheelock & Son, groceries,	97 58
L. W. Bigelow, shoes,	12 30
“ “ goods,	3 65
Jerry Horgan, shoes and repairing,	2 60

Geo. E. Metcalf, wood and coal,	24 97
Geo. E. Pond, sawing and splitting wood,	1 50
M. I. Ellis, meat,	4 79
C. F. Whitney, rent,	39 75
John Nugent, moving furniture,	3 50
E. C. Stevens, stove lining,	1 25
C. F. Everett, meat,	4 50
N. B. White, milk,	3 06
	\$363 10

MRS. L. P. LUND.

PAID

C. F. Everett, meat in 1876 and '77,	\$31 50
M. I. Ellis, “	31 10
Willard Dean, milk,	8 12
L. W. Bigelow, goods,	26 15
Geo. H. Morse, wood and potatoes,	18 95
Moses E. Webb, groceries,	167 00
William Fisher, flour,	34 25
H. B. Baker, “	10 00
Sylvester Hawes, wood,	5 25
Arthur Dean, sawing wood,	1 75
John J. Fiske, “ “	6 50
Geo. E. Metcalf, coal,	44 07
Peter S. Corbett, rent one year,	72 00
J. Edward Everett, potatoes,	2 00
	\$458 64

JOSEPH L. MORSE.

PAID

E. Wheelock & Son, groceries in 1876,	\$17 00
“ “ “	36 00
M. E. Webb, “	24 50
M. I. Ellis, meat,	5 00
John Nugent, rent,	66 00
	\$148 50

MRS. JOANNA FITZGERALD.

PAID

M. E. Webb, groceries,	\$10 00
E. Wheelock & Son, groceries,	20 00
N. A. Johnson, 1 cord wood,	7 50
Sylvester Hawes, " "	7 50
Geo. E. Metcalf, coal,	7 16
H. B. Baker, groceries,	5 00
	\$57 16

JOHN A. NUDD.*

PAID

Geo. E. Metcalf, coal,	\$20 86
H. B. Baker, rent,	110 00
	\$130 86

* Paid by Town of Walpole,

MARY SMITH.*

Support of herself and child 4 weeks,	\$8 00
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* Charged to the Commonwealth.

MRS. AMELIA W. FISHER.*

PAID

Fannie B. Morse, 2 months rent,	\$20 00
L. W. Bigelow, goods,	2 00
	\$22 00

* Paid by Town of Dover.

JOSEPH H. BAKER.

PAID

Peter Reidell, board,	\$88 00
M. I. Ellis, meat,	19 40
M. E. Webb, groceries,	56 88
F. E. Everett, meat,	2 97
Geo. E. Metcalf, coal,	6 60
	\$173 85

JOHN FARRELL.

PAID

William Fisher, for flour,	\$20 25
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JOHN R. DRAPER.

PAID

City of Boston for aid,	\$7 64
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MRS. A. OBER AND DAUGHTER.

PAID

Mrs. Brown, board 19 weeks,	\$57 00
Town of Canton for aid,	43 50
	\$100 50

GEO. V. DEAN.

PAID

Ira L. Moore, rent,	\$56 00
Sylvester Hawes, wood,	4 50
Geo. E. Metcalf, coal,	20 92
	\$81 42

MRS. F. TIMLER.

PAID

Geo. E. Metcalf, coal and wood,	\$18 14
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BENJAMIN D. GUILD.

PAID

A. C. Southworth, board for 11 weeks and 1 day,	\$50 22
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PATRICK CASEY.

PAID

H. B. Baker, flour and potatoes,	\$11 10
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PATRICK COTTER.

PAID

Geo. H. Morse, wood,	\$7 95
C. L. Farnsworth, bread,	11 10
H. B. Baker, groceries,	3 00
William Fisher, “	1 00

M. I. Ellis, meat,	30
Patrick Cotter Jr., board for 21 weeks and 4 days,	52 93
	\$76 28

EUGENE PHIPPS.

PAID

City of Newton, for aid in 1876 and '77,	\$136 63
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TIM. M. SMITH.*

PAID

M. E. Webb, groceries,	\$18 00
E. N. Fales, wood,	3 25
	\$21 25

* Paid by Town of Needham.

MAGGIE SLATTERY.*

PAID

D. S. Fogg, for professional services,	\$28 00
E. Wheelock, books,	1 25
	\$29 25

* Paid by Town of Dedham.

PAUPERS HAVING MILITARY SETTLEMENTS.

PAID

Town of Dedham, one fifth part of \$390 99 being the cost of
sundry persons having military settlements in Dedham, \$66 19

POOR TRAVELERS.

PAID

R. D. Hartshorn, for 1372 meals and lodgings,	\$687 50
A. C. Southworth, 274 " "	95 90
	\$783 40

PAID

D. S. Fogg, 1 year professional services,	\$50 00
S. E. Pond, taking Tim Hallisey to Taunton,	4 95
Dr. Chase, examination of " as to his sanity,	2 00
S. E. Pond, expenses to Newton in pauper case,	2 50
	\$59 45

D. S. Fogg, professional services in case of

Bridget Connely,* \$11 40

* Paid by the Commonwealth.

RECAPITULATION.

Resident poor,	\$2,120 07
Settlements elsewhere,	203 36
State paupers,	19 40
Lodgings and meals for 1646 tramps,	\$783 40
Total payments,	\$3,126 23
Appropriation,	\$2,200 00

STATE AID.

PAID

*Julia B. Hale, for 1 year ending Dec. 31 1877, \$48 00

* Will be refunded by the State.

LIGHTING STREETS.

PAID

Mrs. C. G. Morse, lighting one lamp one year in '76,	\$12 50
Harvey L. Hayford, " " "	9 00
Samuel Howard, " " "	9 00
D. P. Pond, " " "	9 00
Tyler Thayer, " " "	9 00
N. F. Ware, " " "	9 00
Moses Rhodes, " " "	9 00
Geo. H. Morse, " " "	9 00
Sumner Bagley, " " "	9 00
Geo. F. Force, " " 17 months,	12 75
Albert Morse, " " 6 "	4 50
Jarvis Gay, " " 6 "	4 50
D. S. Fogg, " " 1 year,	9 00
	<u>\$115 25</u>

TOWN OFFICERS.

PAID

J. P. Bixby, in full of balance for services as		
school committee ending Mar. 5, 1877,	\$5	00
F. M. Cragin, services 1 year " " 1878,	40	00
S. E. Pond, " " "	58	75
J. P. Bixby, " " to Mar. 4, 1878,	40	00
S. E. Pond, " " as selectman, Assessor,		
Overseer of poor and Board of		
health, ending March 5, '77,	200	00
Tyler Thayer, services 1 year as selectman, Assessor,		
Overseer of poor and Board of		
health, ending March 5, '77,	200	00
Geo. H. Morse, services 1 year as selectman, Assessor,		
Overseer of poor and Board of		
health, ending March 5, '77,	200	00
L. W. Bigelow, treasure 1 year to " "	75	00
Francis Tinker, balance as town clerk " "	12	50
" " " " " "	37	50
Caleb Ellis, collector in '76,	50	00
" for collecting tax of S. Davis,	5	00
Geo. E. Draper, constable to Mar. 5 '77,	38	50
Samuel Howard, " " "	14	50
Sumner Bagley, " and police,	11	50
Adin R. Fuller, services as police,	8	10
Wm. J. Wallace, " " "	8	10
Franklin Farnsworth, " "	8	10
E. Shumway, services as engineer to May 1, '77,	12	00
Geo. H. Morse, " " " " "	12	00
Wm. J. Wallace, " " " " "	12	00
" " " and cash paid as committee		
purchasing hose,	2	75
Geo. H. Morse, " and cash paid as committee		
purchasing hose,	2	75
	\$1,054	05
Appropriation,	\$1,400	00

MISCELLANEOUS.

PAID

Geo. Kingsbury, sealing and adjusting weights and measures,	\$15 75
“ “ rent of weights and measures,	10 00
M. E. Webb, supplies in selectmens' room in '76,	30
S. E. Pond, services and cash paid in bastard case,	10 75
Hill & Macintosh, professional services in “ “	42 00
S. E. Pond, collecting and registering names of children in 1876,	18 00
“ “ erecting stone monuments on Dean and Wilson Streets,	3 00
“ “ com. on Dean, Wilson and Walpole Sts.,	17 00
Tyler Thayer, “ “ “ “ “	15 00
Geo. H. Morse, “ “ “ “ “	15 00
“ “ auctioneer 3 times on Walpole and once on Dean St.,	10 00
L. W. Bigelow, use of Village Hall 6 times,	48 00
“ “ car fare as Treasurer,	3 20
John Nugent, wood for selectmens' room,	5 56
John P. Stevens, collecting and registering names of school children in '77,	20 00
R. D. Hartshorn, rent of selectmen's room Feb. 1 '78,	75 00
S. E. Pond, horse and carriage out of town,	6 00
J. W. Talbot, maintaining watering place,	5 00
Francis Tinker, sundries and express,	6 71
Tyler Thayer, repairing reservoir near R. D. Hartshorn,	3 00
Caleb Ellis, survey and plans of Washington, Dean, Wilson and Phillips Streets,	9 00
“ “ “ on Washington St. and reference on Robbins case,	3 00
Cape Ann Granite Co. for sixteen stone monuments,	28 80
William Gillooly, lettering and setting monuments,	25 00
Caleb Ellis, copy of survey of town line furnished Dedham,	75
“ “ establishing bounds for monuments,	4 75
Sylvester Hawes, 18 posts for street boards,	9 00

W. W. Dexter, painting street boards,	12 18
Geo. H. Morse, setting street posts,	4 50
Tyler Thayer, making and putting up 30 st. boards,	14 87
Frederick Endicott, surveying town line,	3 00
N. N. Sumner, care of cemetery 1 year,	50 00
“ “ returning 31 deaths,	7 75
	\$501 87
Appropriation,	\$600 00

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount paid for Schools,	\$7,009 90
“ “ Highways,	2,973 58
“ “ Street Widening,	4,186 26
“ “ Removing Snow,	221 48
“ “ Public Library,	488 25
“ “ Printing and Stationery,	129 91
“ “ Fire Department,	2,187 18
“ “ Support of Poor,	3,126 23
“ “ State Aid,	48 00
“ “ Lighting Streets,	115 25
“ “ Town Officers,	1,054 05
“ “ Miscellaneous,	501 87
	\$22,041 96
Total amount of orders drawn during the year,	\$22,041 96

The resources of the Town applicable to the payment of expenses the current year, are

Cash in Treasury Feb. 1, '78, per Auditors' report,	\$4,771 82
Uncollected Taxes of '77, “ “ “	2,565 78
	\$7,337 60

The liabilities as estimated, are

For Schools to April 1, 1878,	\$1,300 00
“ Town Officers to March 1877,	1,040 00

For Fire Department to May 1878,	1,300 00
“ Support of Poor to March 1878,	400 00
“ Street Lamps to April 1878,	100 00
“ Land damage on Walpole St., due the county,	400 00
“ Miscellaneous and incidental expenses,	100 00
“ Removing snow,	300 00

\$4,940 00

Balance in favor of the Town, \$2,397 60

L. W. BIGELOW, Treasurer, in account

1877.	DR.	
Feb. 1.	To Cash in Treasury,	\$4,829 81
Mar. 7.	“ balance of Corporation tax for '76,	19 54
“	“ “ of National Bank tax “	108 12
May 17.	“ of Francis Tinker for license for H. R. Ellis to keep Billiard Tables 1 year to April 30. '78,	2 00
May 17.	To Cash of J. Pickering & Moseley,	2,000 00
“	“ “ “ “ “	2,000 00
June 7.	“ of Geo. H. Morse auctioneers' license,	2 00
July 17.	“ borrowed of J. Pickering & Moseley,	2,000 00
Aug 30.	“ Town of Needham for wood and supplies furnished T. M. Smith to June 28 '77,	21 25
Sept. 4.	“ Town of Dover rent and supplies for Mrs. A. Fisher to April 19 '77,	22 00
Oct. 17.	“ Geo. W. Blatchford of Wrentham as a hawker or peddler in Norwood,	6 00
Dec. 3.	“ Corporation tax of State Treasurer,	80 69
“	“ National Bank tax,	708 24
“	“ State aid,	48 00
1878.		
Jan. 25	“ Town of Walpole rent and fuel J. A. Nudd from Jan. 23 '77, to Jan. 1 '78,	133 19
“	“ State income of Mass. school fund,	195 48
Jan. 30	“ Treasurer of Norfolk Co. balance due Norwood on account of dog license after deducting damage done by dogs under chapt. 250 act 69 (year '77,)	150 18
Jan. 31.	To Cash Town of Dedham Doctors' bill \$28 00, school books \$1 25, for Slattery family,	29 25
“	“ old lumber sold,	1 00
“	“ Geo. E. Metcalf uncollected taxes and interest on same for year 1875,	90 31
“	“ Caleb Ellis uncollected taxes and interest on same for year 1876,	3,547 91
“	“ G. H. Metcalf, collector taxes '77,	18,520 00
		\$34,514 97

with Town of Norwood.

1877.	CR.	
Nov. 3. By Cash paid J. Pickering & Moseley,		\$4,000 00
Dec. 4. " " " "		2,000 00
" " interest " "		123 09
" " State tax,		1,410 00
" " Selectmens' orders,		22,041 96
" " Assessors' orders for Abatements,		168 10
1878.		\$29,743 15
Feb. 1. Cash in Treasury,		4,771 82
		\$34,514 97

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and accounts of L. W. Bigelow, Treasurer of the Town of Norwood, and find them correctly kept, and the payments duly vouched; and that the foregoing is a true statement of the condition of the Treasury, the first day of February 1878.

GEORGE EVERETT, }
WILLIAM FISHER. } *Auditors.*

The Town of Norwood have on interest the amounts, at the following institutions :

Dedham Institution of Savings,	\$1,000 00
Boston Five Cent Savings Bank,	1,000 00
Mercantile Savings Institution,	1,000 00
Elliot Five Cent Savings Bank,	1,000 00
	\$4,000 00

Norwood, January 31st, 1878

To the Auditors of the Town of Norwood.

To balance of Taxes assessed and committed to me to collect
for the year 1875.

To balance of taxes,	\$83 90
To interest,	6 41
	\$90 31

GEO. E. METCALF.

We certify that we have examined the books and accounts of Geo. E. Metcalf, Collector of 1875, and that the above is a correct statement of taxes committed to, and payments made by him.

GEORGE EVERETT,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
WILLIAM FISHER.		

Norwood, February 12th, 1878.

CALEB ELLIS, COLLECTOR OF TAXES OF 1876, IN ACCOUNT
WITH THE TOWN OF NORWOOD.

Dr.

To balance as per last audit,	\$3,339 02
“ Cash received as interest,	208 89
	\$3,547 91

Cr.

By Cash paid L. W. Bigelow,	\$3,547 91
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CALEB ELLIS, Collector 1876,
Norwood, February 9th, 1878,

We certify that we have examined the books and accounts of Caleb Ellis, Collector of 1876, and that the above is a correct statement of taxes committed to, and of payments made by him.

GEORGE EVERETT,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
WILLIAM FISHER.	

Norwood, February 12th, 1878:

GEORGE H. METCALF, COLLECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
TOWN OF NORWOOD.

Dr.

Taxes of 1877.

To Commitment of taxes,	\$22,526 57
“ Cash received as interest,	6 76
	\$22,533 33

Cr.

By Cash paid C. C. Churchill, County Treasurer,	\$1,447 55
“ “ L. W. Bigelow, Treasurer,	18,520 00
Total payment,	\$19,967 55
Balance uncollected Taxes,	2,565 78
	\$22,533 33

Norwood, Jan. 31, 1878.

GEO. H. METCALF, Collector.

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and accounts of Geo. H. Metcalf, Collector of 1877, and that the above is a correct statement of taxes committed to, and payment made by him.

GEORGE EVERETT, }
WILLIAM FISHER. } *Auditors.*

Norwood, Feb. 12, 1878.

REMARKS.

In accordance with custom we beg leave to submit the following report of our doings for the last year.

Dean Street widening was let by contract to the lowest bidders, it somewhat exceeded the appropriation, owing to the cost of hauling stone and there being more filling than was at first estimated.

Also the widening of Washington Street, near the house of Joseph Page, exceeded the appropriation, but if work had been stopped at those places when the money was expended, it would have to be finished at some future time at greater expense to the Town.

On Walpole Street widening, when work was commenced it was intended to do more than has been done, but the work was done by the day, and bills came in larger than was expected, and finding that we had exceeded the appropriation, work was stopped leaving the street unfinished. In order to complete it as it ought to be it will require another appropriation. Wilson Street has been completed and accepted by the County Commissioners.

Washington Street widening below high bridge has been done and accepted by the same. The land for widening was bought by the N. Y. & N. E. Railroad Co., the larger part of the filling, the widening on the west side, and the railing was done by the Town.

In the matter of erecting the monuments on the boundry line between Dedham and Norwood, (the question having been in dispute a long time which town should put them up), it was agreed by the Selectmen of both towns to leave it to the decision of Judge Dewey of the Supreme Court, he decided that the lines were not established until the monuments were erected, therefore the expense came on Norwood.

The excess above the appropriation for the poor could not well be avoided. The Overseers have done their best to keep the expense as low as possible, but the depressed state of business rendered it difficult for the laboring class to obtain employment and obliged some to apply for help, who at other times would not have done so.

Quite large sums have been appropriated from the Treasury since February 1st, 1877, which was voted to be paid from the corporation and bank tax, as follows,

Fire Department,	\$650 00
School Teachers,	361 86
Widening below high bridge,	306 05
Total,	\$1,317 91

As required by the By-Laws, the Selectmen submit the following estimates for the ordinary expenses of the town for the ensuing year,

FOR

Schools, as recommended by the School Committee

and rent for Primary school,	\$6,000 00
Repairs of roads and bridges,	2,500 00
Removing snow,	500 00
Fire department,	1,400 00
Lighting streets,	200 00

Support of poor,	2,800 00
Public library,	300 00
Care of cemetery,	50 00
Salaries of town officers,	1,400 00
Printing and stationery,	150 00
Incidental and miscellaneous expenses,	500 00
Rent,	100 00
	\$15,900 00

To these estimates must be added the State and County taxes, and such other sums as the Town shall vote to raise.

The Selectmen have made no estimate on the widening of Nahatan street as laid out by the County Commissioners, not knowing what action the town would take in the matter.

In order to keep the taxes low you must be cautious in your appropriation if you desire a low rate of taxation, any increase of the sum recommended will necessarily increase your taxes. It will be well to have a new valuation in town the coming year in order to have it more equal, as there has been a great change in the value of estate within the last five years.

Respectfully submitted,

TYLER THAYER,	}	<i>Selectmen of Norwood.</i>
GEO. H. MORSE.		

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Vital Statistics of the Town of Norwood, for the year 1877.

BIRTHS.

- Mar. 29. Walter Sumner Bagley, son of Sumner & Ella M.
- Apr. 12. Henry Everleth Sanborn, son of Marshman W. and
[G. Augusta.
10. Henry Warren Connor, son of Henry and Mary.
- May 3. Lewis Charles Schell, son of William and Julia A.
10. Thomas Tobin, son of Michael and Mary.
- Apr. 27. Samuel Edward Morrill, son of Edward H. and
[Jennie E.
- June 2. Justin Goodwin Burdin, son of Arthur W. & Jennie
[M.
3. Bernard Aloysus McGinty, son of Edward & Eliza-
[beth.
9. Joseph Christopher Apel, son of John A. & Anna M.
- July 14. Geo. Edward Fairbanks, son of Geo. P. & Bridget.
- Aug. 11. James Joseph Friery, son of John and Rose.
- Sept. 8. James Donovan, son of Jeremiah and Margaret.
30. William Michael Crowley, son of Michael & Annie.
- Oct. 1. Cornelius Michael Murphy, son of Michael & Bridget.
22. Charles Alfred Lavine, son of Joseph V. & Mary J.
23. Edward Patrick Brennan, son of Mary Ann Davitt.
John Joseph Hayden, son of Michael E. and Annie.
- Nov. 23. James Edward Pendergast, son of Patrick J. & Mar-
[garet.
- Dec. 11. Warren Herbert Billings, son of Herbert W. and
[Sarah O.
23. Charles Shedd, son of Charles and Mary.
- Jan. 19. Katie Ellen Beyer, daughter of Jacob and Katie.
- Mar. 8. Alice Helena Flood, daughter of Thomas & Sarah.
- May 3. Mary Frances Higgins, daughter of Dennis & Mary.
18. Mary Ellen Cronin, daughter of James and Nancy.
18. Fannie May Turner, daughter of Francis W. and
[Effie A.

- June 17. Margaret Burke, daughter of James and Margaret.
25. Mary Alice Alden, daughter of Adna & Mary Jane.
27. Martha Nugent, daughter of John and Mary.
- July 5. Anna Rachel Ellis, daughter of John & Harriet M.
6. Mabel Gertrude Stevens, daughter of John P. and
[Eliza A.
19. Annie Maria Sullivan, daughter of John and Ann.
- Sept. 3. Bertha Emeline Hanson, daughter of Andrew E. &
[Elizabeth J.
19. Eva Mabel Ellis, daughter of William & Marianna.
22. Anna Mahoney, daughter of Patrick and Joanna.
- Nov. 9. Irene Bidwell Roby, daughter of Edgar F. & Isa-
[bella L.
21. Alice May Towner, daughter of Thomas and Ellen.
Louisa Emma Balduf, daughter of Julius F. & Louisa.
26. Edith May Stewart, daughter of Geo. E. & Anna L.

MARRIAGES.

- Jan. 13. By Rev. George Hill, George R. Cottle and Elva Ella Smith, both of Norwood.
- June 16. By Rev. Theron Brown, Edward G. Gay and Daisy O. Wells, both of Dedham.
- Aug. 8. By Rev. D. J. O. Donovan, John G. Mulkin of Dedham and Mary McManners of Norwood.
- Sept. 3. By Rev. J. P. Bixby, Melvin R. Timberlake and Augusta M. Fuller, both of Norwood.
- Oct. 15, By Rev. Theron Brown, George Worthington of Boston, and Cora J. Snow of Canton.
24. By Rev. John W. Savage, Henry W. Dean of Norwood and Sarah H. Blaney of Canton.
25. By Rev. I. H. Gilbert, Herbert F. Carson of Hyde Park, and Emma L. Day of Canton.
28. By Rev. D. J. O. Donovan, George A. O'Brian of Dedham and Bridget A. Pendergast, of Norwood.
- Nov. 1. By Rev. George Hill, George A. P. Bucknam and Mary E. Clapp, both of Norwood.

- Dec. 11. By Rev. J. P. Bixby, Edmund J. Shattuck and
Emma L. Morrill, both of Norwood.
By Rev. S. S. Curry, Boston, Henry N. Fales, and
Sarah E. Donley, both of Norwood.
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DEATHS.

- Jan. 9. Samuel R. Talbot ; 21 years, 5 months, 18 days.
Mar. 1. Marcus M. Alden ; 5 months.
22. George Winslow ; 76 years, 4 months, 26 days.
30. Esther P. Gay ; 58 years, 3 months, 22 days.
April 1. Emeline Talbot ; 70 years, 4 months, 10 days.
4. George E. Smith ; 11 months.
May 17. Vina M. Pond ; 70 years, 8 months, 17 days.
June 10. John Feeny ; 6 months.
9. Sheldon C. Morrill ; 2 years, 1 month, 9 days.
30. Edwin W. Page ; 16 years, 8 months, 5 days.
July 1. Ernest E. Keeler ; 23 years.
13. Eldon W. Rhodes ; 6 months, 27 days.
16. George E. Draper ; 25 years, 4 months, 1 day.
Aug. 13. Simeon Heywood ; 81 years, 5 months, 14 days.
30. Patrick J. Leonard ; 23 years.
31. Wendall D. Phillips ; 20 years, 7 months.
Sept. 5. Atto A. Peterson ; 5 years, 10 months, 5 days.
6. Edward James Peterson ; 4 years, 3 months, 7 days.
13. Joseph Sumner ; 80 years, 4 months, 13 days.
Samuel E. Pond, Esq. 68 years, 3 months, 7 days.
12. Sarah Donahoe ; 45 years.
Oct. 6. Martin Lyden ; 1 year, 15 days.
5. Anna M. Gay ; 77 years, 8 months, 10 days.
8. Gustavus W. Shackly ; 2 years, 8 months.
10. Walter Smith ; 3 years, 3 months, 22 days.
17. Hannah Talbot ; 90 years, 2 months.
29. Katie Conoly ; 10 years, 7 months.
Dec. 2. Bridget Casy ; 1 year, 5 months, 10 days.
Jan. 1. Betsey Richards ; 72 years, 1 month, 14 days.
18. Emeline Gay ; 58 years, 1 month, 21 days.

SIXTH REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF NORWOOD,
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1877.

“It is the work of one generation to grow another.” — *Miner*.

“Let us live for our children.” — *Froebel*.

“As life and death are in the power of the tongue, so also, we may well say, life and death are in the education of our children.” — *Cawdray*.

INTRODUCTION.

We bespeak the thoughtful and unselfish attention of the citizens and parents of Norwood to this Report.

ORGANIZATION.

The Committee was organized for the year, by the choice of F. M. Cragin, M.D., Chairman, and C. Willis Morse, Secretary.

IN MEMORIAM.

The death of Miss Sarah P. Hamilton, in the early part of the school year, cast a gloom over the entire community. The School Committee passed resolutions expressive of the loss that the cause of education sustained in her sudden decease, and of sympathy with her afflicted family and friends in their great bereavement.

All appreciated Miss Hamilton as a thorough scholar, an able teacher, and an efficient disciplinarian. She was interested in public reform, was faithful to Christian principles, and exemplary in her Christian life. We mourn her.

CONDITION OF SCHOOLS.

EVERETT SCHOOL.

The same teachers, except Miss Emma Wheelock, who occupies Miss Hamilton's place, are in the different departments that were there a year ago. The discipline is not the same in the different departments, but in them all is such as does not hinder, but does help to secure the best educational results.

The Committee lay more and more stress upon the thorough and broad culture of the pupils in the lower grades, especially

upon the development of their perceptive faculties. We believe, with others, "attend to the lambs, and the flock will be improved." The teachers second the Committee in their efforts to have the grade of scholarship among the younger pupils improved.

In the first department there is an increased number of pupils studying the higher branches; this is especially true of Latin, and is a token of good. A desire to study only those branches to be used in practical life forecasts superficial scholarship; since it is those studies not used in the routine of daily life that give most FORCE to the human mind.

THE BALCH SCHOOL.

This school we deem in a better condition than it has been in for some time. The teachers are laborious, and have the good-will, so far as appears, of parents as well as pupils. The attendance is not as regular as it should be; and we call upon parents to be more careful to have their children at school every session.

RAILROAD AVENUE SCHOOL.

Miss A. A. White, esteemed for her long and useful services as a public instructor in Norwood, resigned her position as teacher of this school the past year, to the great regret of pupils, parents, and Committee. Miss Lucy Guy was elected to fill the vacancy. This is Miss Guy's first school, and the school-room she occupies is unsuitable for any school; still she seems to the Committee to be conquering a good degree of success.

On the whole we are happy to say that, while the schools of our town need still to be greatly improved, they are in a better condition than for some time past.

ADDITIONAL ROOM.

This is a most important matter, since on it depends very largely, the future success of our schools and the completeness of our school system. The Railroad Avenue School, while it enjoys the good-fellowship of the proprietor of the building, and, so far as we know, of the neighborhood, can never have a

home, but only a *stopping-place* in the room it now occupies. There are fifty sittings, and fifty-one names registered. But it is no wonder that the attendance is irregular. The room is without attractiveness, as well as comparatively barren of facilities. There being but one department, and the number of young pupils large, the school must fit for the fifth department (Miss Morse's) of the Everett School.

The sixth department (Miss Park's) fits for the same grade. Hence, at the coming promotion, there are Miss Morse's second class, numbering twenty-three, to become her first class, and Miss Guy's and Miss Park's first class, numbering respectively twenty-three and twenty-two, with five in Miss Park's second class who are striving for promotion, to become Miss Morse's second class, making a school of sixty-eight, probably seventy-three; while there are but fifty-four sittings. This surplus, under existing arrangements must be kept back, or others pushed forward, at the expense of thorough and systematic culture. Your Committee favored the erection of a new school-house in the vicinity of the Railroad Avenue School, with two departments. That would have remedied the overcrowding of the fifth department of the Everett School.

As the pupils, however, most distant from school — *viz.*, those living near the second High Bridge — now attend the Everett, it would be no hardship for all the pupils of the Railroad Avenue School to attend the same. Hence your Committee submit in brief, for the consideration of parents and citizens, the following plan which they think involves the progress and completeness of our schools. They propose the erection of a school-building, near the Everett School-house, with two departments,—a Grammar and a High School department. Mr. Atwood's school now numbers fifty-six pupils. Hence a division, long needed, of this department into two distinct grades, and requiring no more teachers, could be secured. This would give the Everett School-house to Miss Emma Wheelock's Intermediate School, in Mr. Atwood's room, and give place for Miss Guy's school,—all the Primary departments being arranged in order.

Queries.—1st. Is it wise for the town to pay \$150 a year rent

for the school-room of the Railroad Avenue School while its funds, to be used for the public good, if invested in some of the best savings banks in the State, are paying but four per cent.?

2d. Is it reasonable that Dedham needs a High School with three teachers, and a High School department at West Dedham, and Norwood needs no High School?

3d. Can Sharon in these trying times establish a High School, and is Norwood unable to do so when it will require no more teachers or increase of salaries?

KINDERGARTEN.

We hope the ladies of Norwood, justly noted for their public spirit, will become interested in this system which gathers the little ones and teaches them how to begin to use their powers to the best advantage.

Ladies in other cities and towns are bending their energies in this direction to the benefit of the youngest pupils. We are glad to know that one lady from Norwood is taking a thorough kindergarten course of instruction, and trust that the day is not distant when we shall have a good thorough kindergarten school.

LECTURES ON EDUCATION.

The best condition of schools, and the heartiest good-fellowship between citizens, committee, teachers, and pupils, require public teaching from the platform, by the best educators. An attempt at this by your Committee last year was successful as an introduction, and we hope may be more successful in future. The first question asked by Elias Mason, the State historian, on entering Norwood to deliver his lecture on the "Model Town," was, "Have you a High School?"

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE COMING YEAR.

The Town appropriated for the support of schools last year \$6500, and \$361.86 additional to meet an arrearage of back-pay.

Your Committee ask for an appropriation of \$6000 for the support of schools the ensuing year.

CONCLUSION.

We render thankful acknowledgments to Almighty God for health and happiness; to citizens and parents for good-fellowship; and to teachers and pupils for fidelity to themselves and courtesy to us, another year.

(Signed)

F. M. CRAGIN, *Chairman.*

C. WILLIS MORSE, *Secretary.*

REV. J. P. BIXBY.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Not absent or tardy.

IDA A. RHOADS,

MARY F. CLAPP,

JOHN HORGAN,

JULIA HORGAN,

DORA SHUMWAY.

Not absent.

ELLEN L. HORGAN,

KATE G. HORGAN.

NAME OF SCHOOL.	TEACHERS.	Whole Membership each Term.			Average Attendance each Term.			Over 15 years of age.	Annual Salary.
		Winter.	Spring.	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.	Fall.		
EVERETT.									
High School, “		51	45	55	48	34	49	27	\$1300.00 475.00
2d Division,		44	46	40	40	38	35	2	500.00
3d “		46	45	53	42	39	45		450.00
4th “		46	45	49	41	38	44	1	450.00
5th “		44	48	50	35	42	43		420.00
6th “		45	58	41	34	50	33		420.00
BALCH.									
1st Division,		27	28	34	24	19	21	7	450.00
2d “		34	40	47	24	28	35		420.00
R. R. Avenue,		40	48	50	32	43	43		420.00
		377	403	419	320	331	348		\$5405.00
	Total, ...								

